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SUBJ: GAS PRICES AND LNG PROCESS

1. EMBASSY NOTES WITH INTEREST ARTICLE IN THE PETROLEUM ECONOMIST OF MARCH 1975 ON COAL GASIFICATION. ARTICLE REFERS TO EEC PARLIAMENT DOCUMENT NO. 325/74 AS STATING THAT THE CAPITAL REQUIRED FOR PRODUCING SYNTHETIC NATURAL GAS BY FIVE LURGI PRESSURE GASIFICATION PROJECTS, ABOUT TO BE ORDERED, AND TOTALLING ALMOST 12 BILLION CUBIC METERS A YEAR, IN U.S. IS ABOUT THE SAME AS THE INVESTMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPORTING COMPARABLE QUANTITIES OF ALGERIAN NATURAL GAS INTO THE U.S.A. PRODUCTION COSTS, ARTICLE CONTINUES, IN THE PROJECTED PLANTS ARE ESTIMATE AT DOLS. 1.845 PER MILLION BTU.

2. RELATIVE CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS AND COSTS OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES ARE VERY USEFUL IN CONSIDERING FUTURE OF ALGERIAN ECONOMY AND US/ALGERIAN RELATIONS. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OF ABOVE FACTS AND DATE AND BASIS OF CALCULATIONS. DOLS. 1.745 PER MISSION BTU WOULD BE LESS THAN LANDED PRICE OF ALGERIAN LNG AT
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TODAY'S REPORTED ALGERIAN FOB BASE PRICE OF DOLS. 1/20

TO 1.30 PER MILLION BTU.
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